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*“Today a hope of
many years’ standing
is in large part fulfilled”*

— FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT,
August 14, 1935, upon signing the Social Security Act



Congressman Pete Stark Is Fighting to Keep Social Security Strong and Solvent for Generations to Come

When FDR signed the Social Security Act 67 years ago, he made a promise — that every hard-working American should be able to retire with dignity. Today, the policies of the Republican Administration and Congress are chipping away at our safety net with alarming speed.

I am fighting every day to keep the protections we need and to preserve the hope that Social Security and Medicare have brought to millions of American seniors.

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Protecting Social Security

With a surplus of \$5.6 trillion last year, the Bush Administration and Republicans in Congress had a chance to shore up Social Security for America's seniors. Instead, that money was used to fund tax cuts for the wealthy. Now they want to spend \$2 trillion of the Social Security Trust Fund for other purposes. With the approaching retirement of the Baby Boom generation, we need to strengthen Social Security, not weaken it. As long as I am in Congress, I will work to protect Social Security and will oppose all efforts to harm it.

Adding a Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit

Today, prescription medications enable millions of people to live longer, healthier lives. Yet prescriptions are still not covered under Medicare, forcing many seniors to make a choice between prescription drugs and groceries. America's seniors deserve better — it is time for Congress to enact a prescription drug benefit. Unfortunately, the President's budget fails to adequately fund such a benefit. Providing comprehensive prescription coverage for seniors is one of my top priorities in Congress, and I won't give up until a Medicare drug benefit is enacted into law.



Pete Stark talks with local seniors about the importance of protecting Social Security.

Join Congressman Pete Stark for Town Hall Meetings on Sat., April 27

Please join me on April 27 to discuss how to protect Social Security and Medicare as well as other issues of concern to you.

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Fremont City Council
Chambers
39700 Civic Center Drive

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.
Hayward City Council
Chambers
777 B Street

12 noon – 1:00 p.m.
Marina Community
Center
Thunderbolt Room
15301 Wicks Blvd.,
San Leandro

Doors open 10 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.